



USDA, AMS, Poultry Market News

Weekly Egg Products Report

April 29, 2005

The "SOURCE" of Poultry and Egg Market Information

COMBINED REGIONAL REPORT - Combined regional for week ending **29-Apr-05** average prices on Sales to volume buyers, Grade A large, white eggs in cartons, delivered warehouse, cents per dozen.

	Northeast	Southeast	Midwest	South Central	Combined Regional
This week	54.00	52.50	45.50	54.50	51.73
Last week	47.00	44.50	37.50	46.50	43.96

SELECTED CITIES DELIVERED STORE DOOR LARGE - 29-Apr-05:

New York 59-63 **Midwest** 50-59 **California** 87

WEEKLY SHELL EGG AND BREAKING STOCK INVENTORY - 25-Apr-05 - (30 DOZEN CASES - IN THOUSANDS)

	Northeast	North Central	South Central	South Atlantic	Pacific	5-Area	Breaking Stock	Total
Current week	124.7	279.3	110.9	206.1	192.0	913.0	229.7	1142.7
% change PW	3	-3	-9	0	3	-1	-1	-1

Breaking Stock **29-Apr-05** - prices paid cents/dozen, material exchanged, 30-dozen case equivalent, 48 lb minimum, delivered to breakers.

	Central States	Eastern Region
Nest Run	31-33	27-33 M 30-32
Checks & Undergrades	18-22 M 18-20	16-23 M 17-21

Eggs Processed under federal inspection week ending **23-Apr-05**.

Pounds in Thousands (excludes ingredients)

	Cases Broken	Liquid Whole	Liquid White	Liquid Yolk	Dried	Inedible
CURRENT WEEK	1,313,882	31,850	12,597	6,829	2,371	4,300
PREVIOUS WEEK	1,314,014	31,034	13,308	7,170	2,549	4,507
LAST YEAR	1,275,904	29,940	12,810	6,866	2,645	4,468
% CHANGE PWK	0	3	-5	-5	-7	-5
% CHANGE LY	3	6	-2	-1	-10	-4
TO-DATE 2005	20,284,063	483,931	198,744	106,604	44,385	70,337
TO-DATE 2004	18,846,646	448,274	180,257	100,197	41,091	65,785
% CHANGE YTD	8	8	10	6	8	7

AVERAGE YIELD PER CASE (INEDIBLE INCLUDED)

Current Week: 42.30 **Previous Week:** 42.63 **Last Year:** 42.39

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Current Week: 39.03 **Previous Week:** 39.20 **Last Year:** 38.89

National Liquid Eggs - 29-Apr-05 - prices paid cents/lb, f.o.b. plant, non-pasteurized trucklots, for delivery within 14 days.

Class	Loads	Range	Wtd. Avg.	Change From Last Week
WHOLE	14	27-29.75	27.66	.66
WHITES	19	16.5-19	17.50	.44
YOLKS	8	50.5-53	51.56	2.06

Pasteurized salt yolk and whites were too few to report.

Frozen Egg Prices - 29-Apr-05 wholesale selling price cents/lb, 30-lb containers.

Class	Trucklot				Less-than-Trucklot (min 25 cont.)			
	Eastern		Central		Eastern		South California ²	
Whole	35-40	M	36-39	37-40 M	37-39	43-47	44-47	
Blends ³	TOO FEW	TO	REPORT			52-75	-	
Whites	33-40	M	34-38	35-38 M	36-38	40-47	40-43	
Yolks ⁴								
Sugared	53-59	M	55-58	57-59		61-65	61-64	
Salted	51-56	M	53-55	53-56 M	53-55	56-63	59-62	

² f.o.b. shipping point

³ whole plus yolk plus sweetener, generally 28-32% egg solids

⁴ minimum 43% solids

National Dried Egg Prices - 29-Apr-05 - wholesale selling prices \$/lb, in containers, trucklot and less-than-trucklot volumes.

Class	Range	Mostly
WHOLE	1.25-1.55	1.35-1.40
YOLKS	1.30-1.45	1.38-1.45
ALBUMEN, SPRAY, DRIED	2.16-2.40	2.25-2.35
BLENDS (WHOLE PLUS SWEETENER)	1.18-1.65	1.29-1.45

Number of Light Hens Sltrd. in Federally Inspected Plants (Thousands) Weekending 23-Apr-2005

Fowl Slaughtered in U.S.		U.S. Fowl Slaughtered in Canada		Total U.S. Fowl Slaughtered	
This week	1,651	This week	232	This week	1,883
Last week	1,687	Last week	215	Last week	1,902
Last year	1,424	Last year	228	Last year	1,652
To Date 2005	24,380	To Date 2004	4,655	To Date 2004	29,035
To Date 2004	20,758	To Date 2003	3,917	To Date 2003	24,675

U.S. Exports To Canada, in Thousand Pounds (Preliminary) week ending - 16-Apr-05

	Liquid	Frozen	Dried	Total
Current week	352	21	25	398
Last year /1	196	0	0	196
To date 2005/2	3,704	21	107	3,832
To date 2004	2,362	0	187	2,549

U.S. Imports From Canada, in Thousand Pounds (Preliminary) week ending - 16-Apr-05

	Liquid	Frozen	Dried	Total
Current week	68	8	16	92
Last year /1	29	45	149	223
To date 2005/2	2,144	324	316	2,784
To date 2004	1,206	596	1,051	2,853

Inspected Shell Eggs

U.S. Exports To Canada, in 30-Dozen Cases (Preliminary) week ending - 16-Apr-05

	Jumbo	EX-Lg	Large	Medium	Ungraded	Misc	Total
Current week	0	202	2,743	1,920	6,480	0	11,345
Last year /1	0	1,200	1,310	2,670	9,123	270	14,573
To date 2005/2	33	8,352	22,793	18,135	24,500	2,263	76,076
To date 2004	50	6,960	14,913	15,540	37,617	7,040	82,120

/1 Comparable week, to-date figures may not total due to rounding.

/2 Includes revisions to previous week(s).

Data Source: Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada, AISD, AID, Poultry Section

National Agricultural Statistics Service (NASS) - Cold Storage - stocks in all warehouses on 31-Mar-05
Frozen Eggs (Thousand pounds)

	Whites	Yolks	Whole & Mixed	Unclassified	Total
Current Month	2,845	828	12,108	2,767	18,548
Previous Month	2,903	719	11,552	2,691	17,865
Last year	2,860	1,003	11,895	3,489	19,247
% of Previous Month	98	115	105	103	104
% of Last Year	99	83	102	79	96

National Agricultural Statistics Service (NASS) - Chickens and Eggs Narrative - 22-Apr-05

Total All Layers on 01-Apr-05 totaled 345 million, up 1% from a year ago.

Rate of lay per day for all layers on 01-Apr-05 averaged 71.8 eggs per 100 layers, down slightly from a year ago.

Table/Commercial Egg Producing Layers on 01-Apr-05 = 285.6 million, up 1% from a year ago.

Rate of lay per day for table egg type on 01-Apr-05 averaged 74.0 eggs per 100 layers, down 1% from 01-Apr-04.

Egg Type Chicks Hatched during Mar-05 totaled 40.0 million, up 6% from Mar-04.

Eggs in Incubators totaled 34.1 million on 01-Apr-05, up 2% from a year ago.

Domestic Placement of Egg-Type Pullet Chicks for Future Hatchery Supply Flocks = 314,000 during Mar-05, down 22% from Mar-04.

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